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PETITION FOR FILING RECEIPT

Hon. Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

As of the date of submission of this petition, we have not yet received a filing receipt for the above-captioned patent application. After the Patent Office has considered the facts outlined below, it is requested that a filing receipt be issued in connection with this application.

A request for filing a continuation under 37 C.F.R. §1.62 was filed by Express Mail on March 6, 2000. Copies of these papers are submitted herewith as Exhibit A.

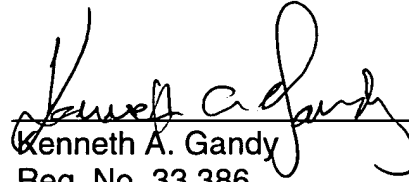
Enclosed as Exhibit B is a copy of the postcard which was sent with the afore-mentioned documents (Exhibit A). The postcard is marked with a date stamp of March 6, 2000 .

Therefore, upon consideration of these facts, the Patent Office is respectfully requested to issue a filing receipt in connection with this application.

If there are any questions which may be answered, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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